

## NEWS

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### **POETRY AND PRIZES IN STATE COMPETITION**

ARTS COMMISSION ANNOUNCES POETRY OUT LOUD WINNER

Olympia, WA – The Washington State Quarter Poll Is Back Online!

Thanks for your patience. The balloting was overly enthusiastic (over 1 million votes cast over the weekend, with more computers voting than people) so we have reset the online vote-counts to zero.

SQAC (State Quarter Advisory Commission) and Governor Chris Gregoire want to hear from you. The deadline for participation is April 30, and we will post the results of the poll on May 1, 2006.

If you do not have access to a computer, you may mail a vote for your favorite to:  
Washington State Quarter Poll, PO Box 42675, Olympia, WA, 98504-2675.

The public opinion poll is only one part of the process. SQAC, which is made up of representatives from across the state will make their recommendation to the Governor after the poll is complete. Ultimately, Governor Gregoire will make the final decision.

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